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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director
FROM: Director, Center for Study of Intelligence
SUBJECT: The Agency's JFK Assassination Records

1. The basic collection of the Agency's JFK assassination records (approximately 320,000 pages) consists of Lee Harvey Oswald's 201 file and other documents which were sequestered by the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) at the conclusion of its investigation. Certain additional records, including 400 excerpts from the minutes of the DCI morning meeting and some DO working files, have been added to the collection since the passage of the JFK Assassination Records Act in 1992. To date, we have reviewed and released to the National Archives, either in full or redacted form, approximately 200,000 pages. The remaining records are in various stages of review (third agency and Congressional material) or are pending discussions (microfilm material) with the Assassination Records Review Board (ARRB). (C)

2. Currently, we are conducting a second review of Oswald 201 documents in coordination with the ARRB. These are the documents that were released earlier in sanitized form. We expect this effort to result in a significant increase in the material being released in full. The ARRB has access to the full text of all sanitized and denied documents. The Board has been briefed by Agency officials on the need to protect certain categories of information. To date the ARRB has accepted the need to protect the identity of sources and agents, and liaison relationships. However, the issues of identifying CIA overseas locations and releasing the names of retired staff employees are still under discussion. (C)

3. Two major items still pending discussion with the ARRB are some 35,000 pages within the microfilm part of the collection which are not related to the JFK assassination story and over 10,000 pages of staff employees' personnel files. (C)

Description of The Collection

4. The Oswald file has served as a repository for JFK assassination related material over the years. Only 39 documents were in the file at the time of the assassination.

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The bulk of the approximately 26,000 pages consists of documents collected immediately after the assassination and during the Warren Commission investigation. Included are a large number of third Agency documents, particularly from the FBI. Other major additions to the 201 file include relevant Mexico City Station files and materials generated by various FOIA requests and investigations such as that of New Orleans District Attorney, James Garrison. (C)

5. The HSCA sequestered records consist of approximately 130,000 hardcopy pages and 72 reels (or some 163,000 pages) of microfilm. The hardcopy material includes the copies of most of the CIA documents in the Oswald 201 and copies of records and files provided in response to HSCA requests. The latter includes 201, personnel, and security files on individuals who are mentioned in documents relevant to the JFK story or who figure in one of the numerous conspiracy theories. The collection also includes about 30,000 pages of documents, memos, and notes (many handwritten) created by the staff of the HSCA during the investigation. (C)

6. The 72 reels appear to contain all files that the HSCA staff requested or to which they were given access. The bulk of the material consists of files on individuals and organizations including 26 reels of 201 files, the equivalent of five reels of staff personnel files, and over 12 reels on anti-Castro exile organizations. The rest of the records range from extensive files on operations in Mexico City to the debriefing of Soviet and Cuban defectors. Approximately half of the microfilm is duplicative of the hardcopy material in the basic collection, including a complete set (12 reels) of the Oswald 201 file. All but a small percentage of the materials are CIA-originated cables, dispatches, memoranda, reports, and correspondence. (C)

7. Under the JFK Records Act, an agency may appeal to the President if it disagrees with the Board's decision to release what the agency regards as sensitive information. The President then has 30 days in which to inform the Board as to whether he is granting the appeal or not. Thus far, we have not found it necessary to appeal any of the Board's determinations. (C)


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